

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. An identifier indicating the status of each claim is provided.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An electrode device for iontophoresis ~~including~~
comprising:
a base film,
an electrode layer being laid on one surface of said base film ~~and having~~ a region ~~where~~
~~to receive a gel~~ containing a drug to be introduced into the body of a patient ~~is disposed being~~
~~laid on said electrode layer~~, a voltage being impressed on said gel through said electrode layer to
induce ion migration of the drug,
~~wherein an additional~~ a sheet member ~~is~~ integrally laminated on said base film ~~which~~
~~includes said electrode layer~~ and covering at least the region to receive the gel, said sheet member
having a property for allowing said gel to permeate therein,
~~so that wherein, when~~ said gel is disposed on said sheet member ~~can be retained with at~~
~~least a part of said gel permeated in said sheet member~~ in the region to receive the gel, the
retention force resulting from the permeated portion of the gel is sufficient to retain the gel in the
region to receive the gel.

2. (Original) An electrode device for iontophoresis according to claim 1,
wherein said sheet member laminated on said base film has a ring-like shape, having a concave

space defined at an inner peripheral part thereof, said concave space being adapted to receive said gel therein.

3. (Original) An electrode device for iontophoresis according to claim 2, wherein said base film is composed of a plastic film of a single layer.

4. (Original) An electrode device for iontophoresis according to claim 1, wherein said base film is composed of a member obtained by laminating a plastic film and a metal film, said laminated member being easily bendable by hand and the bended state being retainable.

5. (Original) An electrode device for iontophoresis according to claim 1, wherein said electrode layer includes a main body part corresponding to said area where said gel containing a drug is disposed and a lead part extending from said main body part, said electrode layer further including an insulative layer surrounding said main body part and laid above said lead part in such a manner as to traverse said lead part.

6. (Original) An electrode device for iontophoresis according to claim 1, wherein said electrode layer is sandwiched between said base film and said sheet member.

7. (Original) An electrode device for iontophoresis according to claim 1, wherein said region of said base film where said gel containing a drug is disposed is concaved.

8. (Original) An electrode device for iontophoresis according to claim 7, wherein said base film further includes a support member disposed at a peripheral edge part of said concave part and for supporting said gel receiving in said concave part.

9. (Original) An electrode device for iontophoresis according to claim 1, wherein said electrode layer includes a main body part corresponding to said area where said gel containing a drug is disposed and a lead part extending from said main body part, said sheet member having such a configuration as to surround said main body part.

10. (Currently Amended) An electrode device for iontophoresis including a base film, a region where a gel containing a drug to be introduced into the body of a patient is disposed being laid on one surface of said base film, a voltage being impressed on said gel to induce ion migration of the drug, wherein said base film is provided at least at said region part where said gel is disposed with a sheet member integrally laminated on said base film and an electrode layer laminated on said sheet member, said sheet member having a property for allowing said gel to permeate therein,

~~so that~~wherein, when said gel is disposed on said sheet member can be retained with at least a part of said gel permeated in said sheet member in the region to receive the gel, the retention force resulting from the permeated portion of the gel is sufficient to retain the gel in the region to receive the gel.

11. (New) An electrode device for iontophoresis comprising:
- a base film;
- an electrode layer disposed on a surface of the base film having a region to receive a gel;
- a sheet member disposed on the base film and covering at least the region to receive the gel, said sheet member having a property for allowing at least a portion of the gel to permeate therein,
- wherein, when the gel is disposed on the sheet member in the region to receive the gel, the retention force resulting from the permeated portion of the gel is sufficient to retain the gel in the region to receive the gel.
12. (New) The electrode device of claim 11, wherein the sheet member comprises a nonwoven fabric.
13. (New) The electrode device of claim 12, wherein the sheet member covers completely the electrode layer in the region of the electrode layer to receive the gel.
14. (New) The electrode device of claim 11, wherein the retention force resulting from the permeated portion of the gel is sufficient to retain the gel on the electrode device when the electrode device is any position.